

Michael R. Pence Governor

Jerome M. Adams, MD, MPH State Health Commissioner

DATE:

September 28, 2015

TO:

All Local Health Departments

Atta: Chief Food Jaspection Officer

FROM:

Laurie Kidwell, RRT/Supervisor

Food Protection Program

SUBJECT:

Tastee Apple, Inc. - RECALL [Food]

AFFECTED

PRODUCT:

3-ounce packages of Tastee Apples Plain Caramel Apples

SUMMARY:

Unclassified Recall; The products are being recalled because they may contain undeclared peanuts.

The product comes in a 3-ounce, clear-plastic package marked with UPC 0-35266-00027-3 and an expiration date of 9 29 stamped on the front label. Some packages were mislabeled, and the Plain Caramel Apple

include peanuts which are not listed in the ingredients on the labels.

The recalled "Plain Caramel Apples" were distributed in Indiana.

SUGGESTED

ACTION:

Recommend notification of affected parties via phone, fax, or e-mail. Consumers with questions may contact the company at: Tastee Apple, Inc., customerservice@tasteeapple.com, www.tasteeapple.com Phone: 740-498-8316 (between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. EST, Monday through Friday). Furthermore, if any recalled products are found, notify this office at 317-233-8475.

Recall -- Firm Press Release

FDA posts press releases and other notices of recalls and market withdrawals from the firms involved as a service to consumers, the media, and other interested parties. FDA does not endorse either the product or the company.

Tastee Apple, Inc., Issues Allergy Alert On Undeclared Peanuts In Plain Caramel Apples

Contact:

Consumer:

customerservice@tasteeapple.com www.tasteeapple.com 740-498-8316

Media:

Melanie Rembrandt



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE – September 22, 2015 – Tastee Apple, Inc., www.tasteeapple.com

, issues allergy alert on undeclared peanuts in 3-ounce packages of Tastee Apples Plain Caramel Apples because they may contain undeclared peanuts. People who have allergies to peanuts run the risk of serious or life-threatening allergic reactions if they consume these products.

The recalled "Plain Caramel Apples" were distributed in eight states (OH, PA, MD, MA, NY, TX, NJ, IN) in retail stores.

Note that this was not a product quality-issue and only involves Plain Caramel Apples with the specific UPC 35266-00027 and code date of 9 29 mentioned below.

The product comes in a 3-ounce, clear-plastic package marked with UPC 0-35266-00027-3 and an expiration date of 9 29 stamped on the front label. Some packages were mislabeled, and the Plain Caramel Apple include peanuts which are not listed in the ingredients on the labels.

No illnesses have been reported to date in connection with this problem.

The recall was initiated after it was discovered that the peanut-containing product was distributed in packaging that did not reveal the presence of peanuts. Subsequent investigation indicates the problem was caused by a temporary breakdown in the company's production and packaging processes

Production of the single pack Plain Caramel Apple product has been suspended until a label correction can be made to the Plain Caramel Apple label.

Customers who purchased the 3-ounce packages of Plain Caramel Apple listed above are urged to discard them and take their receipt to the store where purchased for a refund.

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About Taste Apple, Inc.

Family-owned and operated since 1974 in the historic Village of Newcomerstown, Ohio, Tastee Apple, Inc. has sold over 250,000,000 apples with candy, chocolate, caramel, and other toppings. The only company in the industry certified by the Safe Quality Food Institute, all of the apples go through a unique, seven-step rating process to guarantee the quality and freshness of the fruit. Perfectly-ripe apples are "sticked" in made-fromscratch, small-batch, kettle-cooked caramel or a candy coating. After the apples cool, they are rolled in gooey toppings like milk, dark or white chocolate and then rolled in fresh peanuts, pecans, cookies, or pretzels. The candy and caramel apples are then carefully packaged, stored and shipped to stores throughout the country. For more information on Tastee's apples and fundraising program, visit www.tasteeapple.com® or call 740-498-8316.

Tastee Apple, Inc., Issues Allergy Alert On Undeclared Peanuts In Plain Caramel Apples Photo



